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AT UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON (UW)

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1. ACCORDING TO CIES, GARFIAS NEVER INTENDED TO LEAVE
IMPRESSION WITH ANYONE THAT HE WOULD ARRANGE FOR CYMBALUM
IN SEATTLE. IN FACT, HE ASSERTS HE WAS ASSURED BY
PESTISANU OF MINISTRY OF EDUCATION THAT ROMANIANS WOULD
PROVIDE TWO CYMBALI.

2. WITH DIFFICULTY GARFIAS HAS OBTAINED FUNDS (800 DOLLARS)
TO RENT ONE CYMBALUM. HOWEVER, HE INSISTS THAT TWO ARE
NEEDED, ONE FOR PLAYING AND SECOND FOR STUDENT USE, BUT
HE CANNOT OBTAIN ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO BRING ONE FROM ROMANIA.

3. IN INTEREST OF BRINGING THIS VEXING AND CLAMOROUS
AFFAIR TO SOME EARLY CONCLUSION, WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO
AMEND GRANT TO PROVIDE TEACHING MATERIALS ALLOWANCE TO COVER
PART OR ALL OF SHIPMENT COSTS FOR ONE CYMBALUM FROM
BUCHAREST AND RETURN IF EMBASSY, AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSION
WITH ROMANIANS (INCLUDING SOME CLARIFICATION WHETHER TWO
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CYMBALI ARE REALLY NECESSARY), CONSIDERS THIS COURSE

JUSTIFIED AND SO RECOMMENDS. HOWEVER, IF EMBASSY CON-
CLUDES OTHERWISE, WE WILL INFORM CIES ACCORDINGLY. ROBINSON

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